

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant:	Woodruff et al.)	Examiner:	Shrestha, Bijendra K.
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Title: ENHANCED PREMIUM EQUITY PARTICIPATING SECURITIES

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Kirkpatrick & Lockhart Preston Gates Ellis
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October 31, 2007

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Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed July 31, 2007 in connection with the above-identified application, Applicants respond as follows, wherein:

Claim Amendments begin on page 2; and

Remarks begin on page 11.